

Coastweek 2003

Cumberland County

Brunswick – Thomas Point Beach: sponsored by Sabattus Elementary School; limited to students

Brunswick – various areas: various times in October; sponsored by Brunswick Rotary; limited to members

Cape Elizabeth: Sept. 25; sponsored by Appletree School; limited to students

Cape Elizabeth – Crescent and Kettle Cove Beaches: Oct. 2; sponsored by Mahoney Middle School; limited to students

Cape Elizabeth – Fort Williams Park: sponsored by Real School; limited to students

Cape Elizabeth – Two Lights State Park: Oct. 3; sponsored by Westbrook High School; limited to students.

Falmouth: late September; sponsored by Falmouth Middle School; limited to students

Falmouth – Mackworth Island: Sept. 27; sponsored by St. Mary the Virgin Church; public invited - guard at Baxter School will direct volunteers to appropriate parking area; wear gloves and sturdy shoes. *fmi: Bonny Rodden, 781-2505 or brodden1@maine.rr.com*

Falmouth / Portland – Bay Shore Drive to Mackworth Island: Sept. 13; sponsored by Falmouth High School; limited to students

Freeport – Lower Flying Point Road: Sept. 29; sponsored by Poland Regional High School Applied Academics Class; limited to students

Freeport – Winslow Park: Oct. 4; sponsored by Hyde School; public invited - meet at Hyde School/Union parking lot at 1:30pm. *fmi: Kate Belanger, 443-7126*

Freeport – Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park: Sept. 27 at 8:00am; sponsored by Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park; public invited - meet at benches by second parking lot. *fmi: 865-4465*

Harpwell – CSC shoreline and Harpswell beach area: Oct. 4; sponsored by Bowdoin College Coastal Studies Center; limited to students

Harpwell / Bailey Cove – Mackerel Cove: Oct. 3; sponsored by Mt. Ararat Middle School; limited to students

Harpwell – various areas: various times in October; sponsored by Brunswick Rotary; limited to members

Portland – Back Cove: Oct. 1 at 4:00pm; sponsored by UMaine School of Law Environmental Law Society; public invited - meet in parking lot across from Hannaford. *fmi: Angie Crossman or Laura Welles, 831-0365*

Portland – Cliff Island: Oct. 4; sponsored by A.C.E.; limited to students

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Portland – East End Beach: Oct. 3; sponsored by Adams Elementary School; limited to students

Portland – Fore River Sanctuary: Oct. 4 at 9:00am; sponsored by Greater Portland Mother's and Dad's Group; public invited - meet at Maine Orthopedics, 1601 Congress Street/corner of Frost Street, bring gloves and sturdy comfortable footwear. *fmi: Carol Hager, 874-2829*

Portland – Peaks Island: Sept. 29; sponsored by Aucocisco School; limited to students

Portland – Peaks Island: during Coastweek; sponsored by Peaks Island School; limited to students

Scarborough – Ferry Beach and Scarborough Beach State Park: sponsored by Bonny Eagle Middle School; limited to students

Scarborough – Higgins Beach: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Surfrider; public invited. *fmi: 767-7173*

Scarborough – Pine Point along Rt. 9 to Rte. 1, Jones Creek area, Bluff and Stratton Islands: Oct. 4 at 10:00am; sponsored by Pine Point Association; public invited; barbecue to follow at Pine Point Fire Station for all volunteers; for area assignment, contact Charlene Toohey (883-9643 or ctoohey@maine.rr.com) or meet at fire station on King Street

Scarborough – Saco Bay from Pine Point to Camp Ellis in Saco: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Ferry Beach Ecology School; public invited - meet at FBES. *fmi: Drew Dumsch, 283-9951 or fbes@fbes.org*

South Portland – Greenbelt: week of Sept. 29 at various times; sponsored by Holy Cross School; limited to students

South Portland – Mill Cove: sponsored by Coastal Conservation Association; limited to students

South Portland – Southern Maine Community College campus beach: Oct. 4 at 8:00am; sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; public invited - meet at SMCC Marine Science Building. *fmi: Martha Hebert, 874-2852*

South Portland – Willard Beach: Sept. 25; sponsored by Kaler Elementary School; limited to students

South Portland – Willard Beach: sponsored by Willard Neighborhood Association; public invited - meet by bath house at Willow Street entrance. *fmi: Theresa Wiper, 767-1160*

Yarmouth – town landing and Cousins Island beach: Oct. 4; sponsored by Yarmouth Elementary School; limited to students

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Bar Harbor: Sept. 27; sponsored by the Town of Bar Harbor

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Blue Hill – Long Island: Oct. 4 at 9:00am; sponsored by Marine Environmental Research Institute; public invited - call to reserve a space on boat. *fmi: Margaret Quinn at 374-2135*

Brooklin: Oct. 1 at 1:30pm; sponsored by Brooklin School; public invited - meet at school at 1:00pm. *fmi: David Sullivan, 359-2133 or 359-5066 (evenings)*

Brooksville: Oct. 1 at 8:30am; sponsored by Brooksville Elementary School; public invited - meet at elementary school. *fmi: Rick Alexander, 326-8500 or 374-3766*

Deer Isle: Oct. 11 and 12 at 9:00am; sponsored by Island Heritage Trust; public invited. *fmi: 348-2455*

Hancock: Oct. 4; sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 94 and Cub Scout Pack 94; limited to Scout members.

Islesford: Sept. 26; sponsored by Islesford School; limited to students

Penobscot – Bagaduce River shoreline: public invited; sponsored by Bagaduce Watershed Association. *fmi: Diane Bartholomew, 326-9690*

Sedgwick: Sept. 18 at 9:00am; sponsored by Sedgwick Elementary School; public invited - meet at elementary school. *fmi: Donald Buckingham, 359-5002*

Southwest Harbor/Manset – Seawall Point: Sept. 15; sponsored by Mt. Desert Elementary School; limited to students

Swans Island: Oct. 4; sponsored by Center Drive School; limited to students

Winter Harbor – shoreline: Oct. 9; sponsored by Winter Harbor Grammar School; limited to students

Knox County

Camden – public landing, library park, harbor, Chatfield farms and Laite Beach: sponsored by Camden-Rockport Middle School; limited to students

Matinicus Island – Markey's Beach: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Matinicus Island School; public invited - meet at school. *fmi: Pat Walchli, 366-3526*

North Haven: Sept. 30; sponsored by North Haven Community School; public invited. *fmi: Kathi Lovell, 867-4707*

Rockland – shore area around Hurricane Island Outward Bound School: Oct. 2 at 9:00am; sponsored by HIOB; public invited - meet at school at 75 Mechanic Street. *fmi: Tammy Emery, 594-5548*

Rockport – Walker and Cramer Parks and harbor: sponsored by Camden-Rockport Middle School; limited to students

St. George – Tenants Harbor: Oct. 2; sponsored by St. George School; limited to students

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Vinalhaven: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Vinalhaven School; public invited - meet at school. *fmi: Gloria Smith, 863-4800 or 863-4539(evenings)*

Lincoln County

Boothbay Harbor – Barretts Park, Knickerbane, and Ocean Point: sponsored by Boothbay Region Elementary School; limited to students

Bristol – Pemaquid Beach: sponsored by Bristol Elementary School; limited to students.

Bristol – Pemaquid peninsula shoreline: Sept. 27 at 10:00am; sponsored by Pemaquid Watershed Association; public invited - meet at Colonial Pemaquid Museum parking lot; *fmi: Rebecca Bell, 677-3946*

Southport: Sept. 29; sponsored by Southport Central School; limited to students

Sagadahoc County

Georgetown: Sept. 20; sponsored by Georgetown Conservation Commission; public invited. *fmi: Betty Cole, 371-2575*

Georgetown – Reid State Park: Sept. 28; sponsored by Sustainable Bowdoin; limited to members

Phippsburg – Popham Beach State Park: sponsored by West Side Neuro Rehab; limited to clients.

Phippsburg – Popham Beach State Park: Oct. 1; sponsored by Harrison Middle School; limited to students.

Waldo County

Belfast: Oct. 3; sponsored by Troy Howard Middle School; limited to students

Islesboro: Sept. 29; sponsored by Islesboro Central School; public invited. *fmi: Sandra Kirby, 734-8159 or skirby@islesboro-central.islesboro.k12.me.us*

Islesboro – Warren Island State Park: various dates; sponsored by Warren Island State Park; public invited. *fmi: Charlene Hood, 941-4014*

Prospect – Fort Knox State Historic Site: Sept. 27 at 10:00am; sponsored by Fort Knox State Historic Site; public invited - meet at Visitor Center. *fmi: 469-7719*

Stockton Springs – Fort Point State Park: Oct. 3; sponsored by Reeds Brook Middle School, Hampden. *fmi: Rob Burke, 234-2326*

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Washington County

Cutler: Oct. 3; sponsored by Elm Street School; limited to students

Jonesport and Beals: Oct. 1 at 12noon; sponsored by Jonesport-Beals High School; public invited - meet at high school. *fmi: Lynn Alley or Pam Smith, 497-5454*

Lubec: sponsored by Town of Lubec; public invited - meet at Town Hall. *fmi: Ryan Hada, 733-2341*

Pembroke: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 136; public invited - meet at 857 Leighton Point Road. *fmi: Fred Gralenski, 726-5837*

Pleasant Point: Oct. 1-3 at 9:00am; sponsored by the Passamaquoddy Tribe; public invited - meet at Beatrice Rafferty School. *fmi: April Francis, 853-2600 x233*

York County

Biddeford – Fortunes Rock Beach: Sept. 26; sponsored by Biddeford Middle School; limited to students

Biddeford – Hills Beach: Oct. 4 at 10:00am; sponsored by Hills Beach Association and University of New England; public invited - meet at UNE Campus Center, Hills Beach Road. *fmi: Patricia Boston, 282-0769*

Biddeford Pool – East Point Sanctuary: sponsored by Bonny Eagle Middle School; limited to students

Eliot: Oct. 4; sponsored by the Global Gang/Eliot Elementary School; , public invited - meet at Eliot boat basin. *fmi: Maryl Kilbourn, 439-9003*

Kennebunk – Mother's Beach: Oct. 4 at 9:00am; sponsored by Kennebunk Conservation Commission; public invited - meet at Mother's Beach. *fmi: Ellen Dooley, 985-8006*

Kennebunkport – Wamby Beach to Colony Beach: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Kennebunkport Conservation Commission; public invited - meet at Colony Beach. *fmi: Linda Wade, 967-2635 or 967-2950*

Kittery – Rogers Park and Eagle Point: Oct. 4 at 9:00am; sponsored by Kittery Conservation Commission; public invited. *fmi: Earledean Wells, 439-2787*

Kittery – Portsmouth Naval Shipyard: Oct. 4; sponsored by Kittery Conservation Commission; limited to PNSY staff

Kittery Point – Crescent and Seapoint Beaches: Oct. 4 at 9:00am; sponsored by Kittery Conservation Commission; public invited. *fmi: Earledean Wells, 439-2787*

Old Orchard: Sept. 25; sponsored by Jameson School; limited to students

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Old Orchard Beach – Saco Bay from Pine Point to Camp Ellis: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Ferry Beach Ecology School; public invited - meet at FBES. *fmi: Drew Dumsch, 283-9951 or fbes@fbes.org*

Saco – Bayview Beach, Saco River shoreline: sponsored by Sweetser School; limited to students

Saco – Saco Bay from Camp Ellis to Pine Point in Scarborough: Sept. 27 at 9:00am; sponsored by Ferry Beach Ecology School; public invited - meet at FBES. *fmi: Drew Dumsch, 283-9951 or fbes@fbes.org*

York – York Harbor Beach: Sept. 28 at low tide; sponsored by York Conservation Commission; public invited - meet at beach parking lot. *fmi: Jennifer Watson, 245-4029 or 363-0235 (evenings)*

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Other Coastweek Events

Acadia National Park, *Hawkwatch 2003* – Sept. 27 through Oct. 4, 9am to 2pm daily (weather permitting). Join park rangers atop Cadillac Mountain to observe and learn about migrating hawks and possibly a chance to see the migration of other raptors - at times an average of 15 birds of prey an hour. Sponsored by Acadia National Park. **fmi: call 288-3338**

Augusta, Maine State Museum, *Marine Programs* (see specific programs listed) – The Maine State Museum is open Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, and Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Coastweek 2003 programs are free with Museum admission. **fmi: call 287-2301 (TTY: 287-6740)**

- Sept. 27 at 2:00pm – **Lobstering**: For all ages, this program examines the physical makeup of lobsters, the methods used in lobster fishing, and the lobster's economic and historic importance to Maine. Through the use of objects on display in the Fishing Exhibit, and a "hands-on" mounted lobster, participants will take part in a discussion that centers on the life cycle of the lobster, including feeding, survival, reproduction and molting habits. In the course of the discussion, size limits, conservation efforts and the future of the Maine fisheries will also be explored.
- Sept. 30 through Oct. 3 at 11:00am – **Life in a Tide Pool**: This program provides an opportunity for participants to examine some of the inhabitants of a tidal pool using preserved specimens and the coastal scene in the museum.
- Sept. 30 through Oct. 3 at 2:00pm – **Sail Making**: This program involves the actual sewing of sails using sailmaker's tools and a discussion of sails and sailmaking particularly as they relate to the *ST. MARY*.
- Ongoing – The Maine State Museum conducts group gallery programs on coastal topics throughout the year. In addition, several of the ongoing exhibits address the natural and cultural history of the Maine coast.

Bar Harbor, *Pelagic Birding* – Oct. 4 from 6am to 1pm (raindate: Oct. 5). The cold, nutrient-rich waters of the Gulf of Maine support a vast array of marine life. In the past these waters have been accessible to birders only incidentally via the *Bluenose* ferry, but Maine Audubon's cruise in a 111-foot power catamaran (ensuring a smooth and stable ride) opens exciting new possibilities for pelagic birding. From Bar Harbor we'll cruise by Schoodic Point and Petit Manan before heading some thirty to forty miles offshore. We can expect to see northern gannet, several species of shearwater, red phalarope, black-legged kittiwake, jaegers, alcids and possibly great skua. We may also see finback, humpback and minke whales. The cruise will loop back in toward the waters of Mt. Desert Rock, and we should have spectacular views of the mountains of Acadia. This is an exciting opportunity to fill in some of those empty blanks on your life lists in the unique birding habitat of the Gulf of Maine. Cost is \$70 for MAS members, \$80 for nonmembers, and \$35 for students; limited to 125 participants. Leaders are Jan Pierson and Lysle Brinker. Sponsored by Maine Audubon Society. **fmi: call 781-2330**

Freeport, *Fall Nature Programs at Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park* – 2:00pm on weekends and holidays from now through October 13 (weather permitting - meet at benches by 2nd parking lot). Programs may include walks, short talks, and activities in a beautiful natural setting; some programs are wheelchair accessible (see program specifics below); sponsored by the State Park. **fmi or to make reservations for groups: 865-4465**

- ♦ Sept. 6 - The Edge of the Sea: enjoy a walk, short talks, and activities on the natural history and ecology of our varied shore

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- ♦ Sept. 7 - Casco Bay Walk: enjoy views of Casco Bay with its islands and rocky shores on this one-mile walk with the park manager
- ♦ Sept. 13 - Ready, Set, Sleep!: discover how nature prepares for winter in this program for children and fun-loving adults **(wheelchair accessible)**
- ♦ Sept. 14 - Nature Legends: enjoy this short walk on the accessible path with stops for stories based on Wabanaki legends **(wheelchair accessible)**
- ♦ Sept. 20 - Stories in Stone: get to know the story of Maine's rockbound coast on this walk with short talks and activities
- ♦ Sept. 21 - Tide Pools: stop by the rocky shore near Googins Island between 2:00 and 3:00pm to discover the secrets of a tide pool in this informal program
- ♦ Sept. 27 - The Shore Tour: celebrate Coastweek by learning about life on the shore on this tour along the accessible path; come for the coastal cleanup at 9:00am and enjoy a day in the park! **(wheelchair accessible)**
- ♦ Sept. 28 - The Edge of the Sea: celebrate Coastweek with this guided program on the natural history and ecology of our varied shore
- ♦ Oct. 4 - Secrets of the Shore: during Coastweek discover secrets of life in the salt marsh, mud flat, gravel beach, and rocky shore
- ♦ Oct. 5 - Casco Bay Walk: enjoy views of Casco Bay with its islands and rocky shores on this one-mile walk with the park manager
- ♦ Oct. 11 - Tree Hunt: just pick up the activity guide for the tree hunt, follow the route, and mark your choices; return to the start to see how well you did **(wheelchair accessible)**
- ♦ Oct. 12 - Fall Foliage Tour: stroll through the forest on our accessible path to enjoy the beauty and learn about the changes happening around you **(wheelchair accessible)**
- ♦ Oct. 13 - Nature Legends: enjoy this short walk on the accessible path with stops for stories based on Wabanaki legends **(wheelchair accessible)**

Mount Desert Island, Acadia National Park Exploration – Oct. 3-6 (3-day event). Long recognized as a premier travel destination for the sheer beauty of its land and seascapes, Acadia National Park also has won acclaim as one of North America's top birding destinations. This weekend outing will allow an appreciation of both these attributes. Early Saturday morning we'll embark on a 111-foot power catamaran known for its stable ride and great viewing areas on what is consistently one of New England's most productive pelagic birding trips (see *pelagic birding* event above). Saturday afternoon and Sunday offer opportunities to explore the park's many hiking and biking trails, join an established hawk watch atop Cadillac Mountain (see *Hawkwatch* event above), and visit the local natural history museum and whale research center. Trip includes pelagic boat trip, Friday night dinner, breakfast all three days, transportation around Acadia National Park, leadership and lodging; and begins Friday, Oct. 3 at 3pm through Monday, Oct. 6 at 1pm. Cost is \$475 based on double occupancy, \$130 single; limited to 12 participants. Leaders are Margi Huber and Bob Bittenbender. Sponsored by Maine Audubon Society. **fmi: call 781-2330**

Scarborough-Higgins Beach, surfing demos – Sept. 27; sponsored by Surfrider. **fmi: call 767-7173**